



# Monroe County Solid Waste Management

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## COMMITTEE MINUTES October 16, 2017

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Vice Chair Keith Giraud. Committee members: Paul Steele, Mark Halverson, and Dan Olson. **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chair Carol Las.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Solid Waste Manager Gail Frie, Solid Waste Assistant Manager Shelly Schulze, Riverview Construction Landfill Operator Terry Taylor.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 8:55 am by Committee Vice-Chair Giraud at the Solid Waste Office, Norwalk, WI.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
3. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPROVE MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2017.** Giraud asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes of Sept 25, 2017. Olson approved the minutes and was seconded by Halverson. All ayes. Motion carried 4-0. Las absent.
4. **DISCUSSION: LANDFILL AND DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS**
  - a. **TONNAGE/REVENUE/LOAD/LEACHATE REPORT:** Frie went over the monthly sales chart and corresponding graph which detailed percentages of increase/decrease in the listed categories for the month of September YTD. We are 3% ahead of last year in tonnage, 4% above last year in number of loads and about 1.64% above last year in revenue. Leachate loads are up 7% over last year due to the record rains of this year.
  - b. Frie discussed the **September Financial Report**, including cash balance and reserve balances. We will be making an \$80,000 payment to the WDNR this week.
  - c. Schulze discussed the fall 2017 Clean Sweep with the Committee. Traffic was down, but fall collections are usually smaller than spring collections. A traffic counter was set up by the Highway Department and the Earth Club had students and a chaperone teacher assisting this fall. Both these new additions will be incorporated into future Clean Sweeps as added labor is needed for these events. Frie discussed the increases to various wastes and that there seemed to be no complaints. The radio advertising seemed to be effective in that we didn't notice business-type quantities coming in on filters, oil and antifreeze this year.
5. **DISCUSSION: APEX FILTRATION SYSTEM:** A discussion took place between Frie and the Owner/Engineer of Apex to improve and refine the plans so that contractors may accurately bid the job. Frie took a load of leachate down to Milwaukee for a trial result and it was determined the filters needed to be changed out. A second run was completed. The test results are not back. There is a second RO system on the end of the process to further remove boron and ammonia. A meeting is scheduled on October 18 between Frie, Apex, and contractors to further discuss issues with the plans. Frie discussed with the board Apex's performance guarantee of the project: When the system is down, they will pay for the transport and disposal of the leachate. The project is expected to come in at 1.3-1.5 million. The expected savings above operational costs to be around \$150,000.00 per year. It is expected to pay for itself in 7-9 years based on a 5 year lease on equipment, at around 5% interest. Steele suggested to Frie to send the project to contractors directly that would have known capabilities to take on this project.
  - a. Newspaper ad soliciting proposals to go out the week of 10/23.
  - b. Proposals to be reviewed November 13 at Solid Waste Meeting 4 pm
  - c. Finance Committee November 15.
  - d. County Board Meeting November 22.
  - e. Newspaper ad per State Statute 66.103 and to include performance guarantee.

6. **LANDFILL EXPANSION NOTIFICATION:**

A certified letter must be sent to the town of Ridgeville and the Monroe County Clerk/Zoning Department in regarding to siting a 'new' landfill. Although it is considered an expansion to us, a new landfill requires a new WDNR license number, and this letter must go to concerned parties. Frie requested he be put on the agenda for the next Ridgeville meeting to discuss any committee/public concerns or questions that may arise.

7. **MANAGERS REPORT:**

- a. Frie mentioned that he applied for a drug take back grant on behalf of the Monroe County Sheriff's Department. This will allow us to pay the Sheriff's office for having a deputy available on site during Clean Sweeps.
- b. Frie informed the committee that Fort McCoy now has four digesters in place for food waste and this will affect our tonnage brought in to the landfill.
- c. Discussion on pump replacements and monitoring costs with all the new wells for Ridge III. The estimate for monitoring this year was \$120,000.00, and Frie expected to exceed that number. Steele asked when the engineer and monitoring contract was up for renewal and Frie said 2018. Steele suggested we put the engineering and monitoring out for bid at that time. Frie expected will have to do a budget adjustment before year end to cover this monitoring expense.

8. **SET NEXT MEETING DATE:** Monday, November 13 at 4:00 pm at the Solid Waste Dept.  
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9. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

10. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Olson to adjourn, seconded by Steele at 9:55 am. Motion carried 4-0. Las absent.

Recorded by: Shelly Schulze